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Education

George Washington University, School of Public and International Affairs (SPIA), B.A., Public Affairs, 1977
Florida State University College of Law, J.D., 1980.

License/Certifications

Member, Florida Bar, 1980
Florida Supreme Court Certified Circuit (1990) and Family (1992) Mediator

Employment

Law Clerk to Florida Supreme Court Justice James C. Adkins, Jr. (1980 - 1982) Tallahassee, Florida.

Associate, Carr, Jordan, Coyne & Savits – Washington, D.C. (1982 - 1983)

Associate, Alcalde, Henderson & O'Bannon, Arlington, VA (1983 - 1985)

Associate, Battaglia, Ross, Hastings, Dicus & Andrews, St. Petersburg, FL (1985-1987)

Associate, McMullen, Everett, Logan, Marquardt & Cline, Clearwater (1987 – 1990)

Charles N. Castagna, P.A., Clearwater, FL (1990-1994) Practice areas generally included criminal law, personal injury (plaintiff and defense), real estate, family law, condominium law, commercial law, banking and commercial landlord and tenant.

Charles N. Castagna Mediation, Inc. 1994 - present; full time mediator and mediation trainer providing mediation services in state and federal court and pre-suit. mediation certification course training.

- Conducted thousands of mediations in state and federal court, as well as pre-suit matters including civil rights, commercial, condominium, construction, contract, corporate, employment and non-compete, family law (all issues), franchise disputes, hurricane claims, insurance coverage and bad faith, partnership disputes and dissolutions, personal injury and wrongful death, premises and product liability, probate, professional liability (accounting, dental, legal and medical), real estate and securities.
- Hurricane Mediation Program (2004 – 2005)
- Adjunct Professor, ADR, Stetson University College of Law (mid-1990's – early 2000's)
- Primary Trainer, Circuit Civil Mediation Training, University of South Florida (USF) Conflict Resolution Collaborative 2009 – 2011
- Primary Trainer, Circuit Civil Mediation Training, Charles N. Castagna Mediation, Inc. (2011 – present)
- Primary Trainer, Circuit Civil Mediation Training, Mediation Services, Inc. (MSI) (2012 – 2015)
- Continuing Mediator Education Trainer, Dispute Management Inc. (DMI) (1993 – 1996)
- Continuing Mediator Education Trainer, Charles N. Castagna Mediation, Inc. (1994 – present)

Committee Appointments and Professional Memberships

- Clearwater Bar Association, Board of Directors 1988 – 1992; 1999 – 2001
- Florida Supreme Court Standing Committee on Mediation and Arbitration Rules, 1993 – 2001.
- Florida Association of Professional Family Mediators, President (2000 - 2002)
- Florida Academy of Professional Mediators, President (2002 - 2005).
- Mediator Ethics Advisory Committee (MEAC) 2010 – present; Vice-Chair 2015 – present

Awards

- Clearwater Bar Association Pro Bono Award (1999)
- Hillsborough County Outstanding Mediator Award (approx. 2003)
- Florida Academy of Professional Mediators President's Award (approx. 2004)
- Florida Academy of Professional Mediators Award of Merit (approx. 2009)

Educational Presentations

- Presentations to the Florida Bar, Clearwater Bar Association, Hillsborough County Bar Association, St. Petersburg Bar Association, West Pasco Bar Association, West Pasco Legal Support Association, and private law firms on the topics of mediation ethics and mediation advocacy (1993 – present)